

REMARKS

Claims 2-8, 12-14 and 17-21 are pending in the application upon entry of the amendments. Claims 2, 6, and 12-14, and 17-20 have been amended for consistency and to disclaim the cited art. Claims 9-11 have been cancelled without prejudice to expedite allowance of the application. Favorable examination in light of the amendments is respectfully requested.

The Claim Objection

Claims 2-8, 12-14, and 17-21 stand objected to for containing subject matter not elected in a previous Restriction/Election Requirement. The claims have been amended to better correspond with the elected subject matter of the previous Restriction/Election Requirement.

Petition for Extension of Time

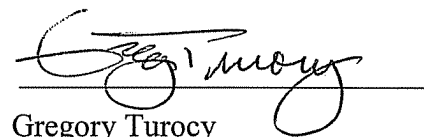
A request for a one month extension of time is hereby made. Payment is being made through the EFS electronic filing system.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Respectfully submitted,

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